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Art Unit: 3771

Application Number: 10/506,980

Examiner: Kristen C. Matter

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Confirmation Number: 8796

For: AIR ASSISTANCE APPARATUS FOR COMPUTING THE AIRFLOW

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 November 14, 2008

Sir:

On September 15, 2008, a Correction of Entity Status was filed, stating that the Assignee became a large entity on March 26, 2008. Along with the Correction of Entity Status, a payment was submitted for the difference between the large entity and small entity rates for the fees associated with the Amendment filed on March 28, 2008. The difference amounted to \$1155.00. A check for \$1155.00 for the difference in fees was included. Submitted herewith is a copy of the date-stamped return post card that indicates receipt of the Correction of Entity Status and the check.

However, it is believed that this payment was in error and unnecessary. According to 37 CFR 1.27(g)(1), "Once status as a small entity has been established in an application or patent, fees as a small entity may thereafter be paid in that application or patent without regard to a change in status until the issue fee is due or any maintenance fee is due." Therefore, it was

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unnecessary to pay the fees associated with the Amendment filed on March 28, 2008 at the large entity rate. It is noted that on September 5, 2008, the issue fee was paid at the large entity rate.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the Patent Office refund the amount of \$1155.00 to Deposit Account 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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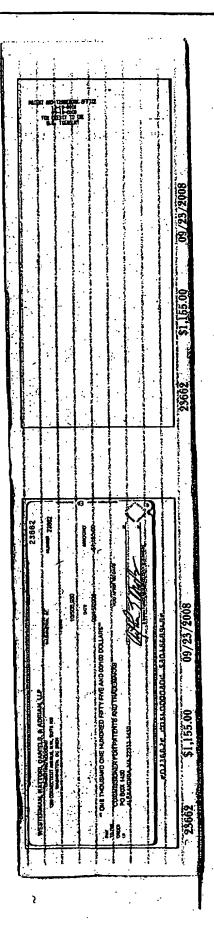
Enclosures: Copy of Correction of Entity Status filed September 15, 2008

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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the papers filed as indicated in connection with the above-identified case.



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CORRECTION OF ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 September 15, 2008

Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.28(c), Applicants respectfully request correction of entity status.

This application ceased to qualify as a "small entity" on March 26, 2008 (two days prior to the filing of an Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time filed on March 28, 2008). As such, the fees should have been paid at the large entity rate, but were erroneously paid at the small entity rate.

Because the Applicants' Representative did not know of the assignee's change in entity status at the time of the filing of March 28, 2008, it is respectfully submitted that error in maintaining small entity status was in good faith. Applicants respectfully request that the Office change the status of this application to "large entity" status.

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A check in the amount of \$1,155.00 is enclosed to cover the deficiency.

Fee type	Previously Paid	Present fee	Deficiency	
Total claims in excess of twenty	\$25 x 21 = \$525	$$50 \times 21 = 1050	\$525	
Independent Claim in excess of three	\$105 x 1 = \$105	\$210 x 1 = \$210	\$105	
Petition for Extension of Time (3 months)	\$525	\$1050	\$525	
Totals	\$1155	\$2310	\$1155	

All future fees associated with the prosecution of this application will be paid at the "large entity" status rates.

If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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